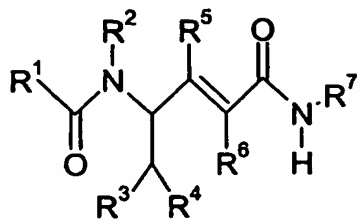


CLAIMS

1. The use of a compound of formula I



in free form or in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of a functional motility disorder of the viscera, wherein

R¹ is phenyl that is unsubstituted or is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents selected from the group halogen, C₁-C₇-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy and C₁-C₇-alkoxy,

R² is hydrogen or C₁-C₇-alkyl,

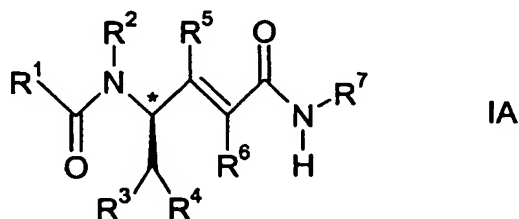
R³ is hydrogen, C₁-C₇-alkyl or phenyl that is unsubstituted or is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents selected from the group halogen, C₁-C₇-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy and C₁-C₇-alkoxy,

R⁴ is phenyl that is unsubstituted or is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents selected from the group halogen, C₁-C₇-alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy and C₁-C₇-alkoxy; or is naphthyl, 1H-indol-3-yl or 1-C₁-C₇-alkyl-indol-3-yl,

R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently of the other hydrogen or C₁-C₇-alkyl, at least one of R⁵ and R⁶ being hydrogen, and

R⁷ is C₃-C₈-cycloalkyl, D-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl or L-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl.

2. Use according to claim 1, in which the compound of formula I is of formula IA



where * denotes the R configuration and R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ are as defined in claim 1.

3. Use according to claim 1 or 2, in which

R¹ is phenyl, 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)-phenyl or 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl,

R² is hydrogen or C₁-C₇-alkyl,

R³ is hydrogen or phenyl,

R⁴ is phenyl, halo-phenyl, dihalo-phenyl, trihalo-phenyl, 2-naphthyl, 1H-indol-3-yl or 1-C₁-C₇-alkyl-indol-3-yl,

R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently of the other hydrogen or C₁-C₇-alkyl, at least one of R⁵ and R⁶ being hydrogen, and

R⁷ is C₅-C₇cycloalkyl, D-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl or L-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl.

4. Use according to claim 1 or 2, in which

R¹ is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)-phenyl,

R² is hydrogen, methyl or ethyl,

R³ is hydrogen or phenyl,

R⁴ is phenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 3,4-dichloro-phenyl, 3,4-difluoro-phenyl, 3-fluoro-4-chloro-phenyl, 3,4,5-trifluoro-phenyl, 2-naphthyl, 1H-indol-3-yl or 1-methyl-indol-3-yl,

R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently of the other hydrogen or methyl, at least one of R⁵ and R⁶ being hydrogen, and

R⁷ is cyclohexyl, D-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl or L-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl.

5. Use according to claim 1 or 2, in which

R¹ is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)-phenyl,

R² is hydrogen or methyl,

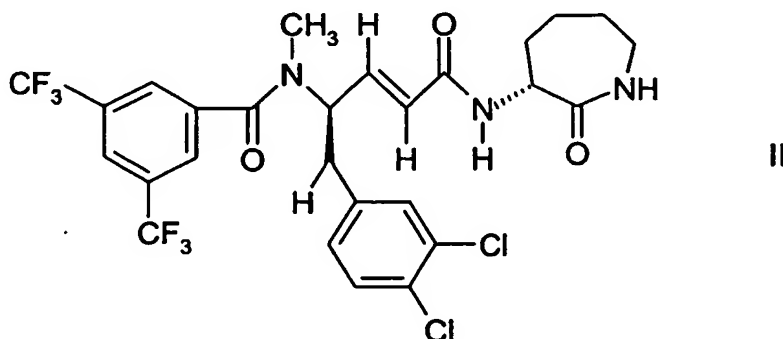
R³ is hydrogen or phenyl,

R⁴ is phenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 3,4-dichloro-phenyl, 2-naphthyl, 1H-indol-3-yl or 1-methyl-indol-3-yl,

R⁵ and R⁶ are hydrogen, and

R⁷ is cyclohexyl, D-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl or L-azacycloheptan-2-on-3-yl.

6. Use according to claim 1, in which the compound of formula I is a compound of formula



7. Use according to any one of claims 1 to 6, in which the disorder is associated with visceral hypersensitivity and/or altered motor responses.
8. Use according to claim 7, in which the disorder is a functional bowel disorder or functional gastrointestinal disorder.
9. Use according to claim 8, in which the disorder is irritable bowel syndrome or functional dyspepsia.